

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and continued examination of the above-identified application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, and 4 of the present application are pending. Claims 2 and 5-32 have been withdrawn. By way of this amendment, claim 1 has been amended to explain in more detail the acyclic terpene. Support for this amendment can be found throughout the present application including, but not limited to, the claims as originally filed, as well as the formulas set forth in the figures and page 3 of the present application. Amendments to the dependent claims (elected and non-elected claims) have been made to be consistent with the amendments made to claim 1. Accordingly, no questions of new matter should arise and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Rejection of claims 1, 3, and 4 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) – Behan et al.

At pages 3 of the final Office Action, the Examiner continues to reject claims 1, 3, and 4 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Behan et al. (WO 00/19822). The Examiner asserts that the citral diethyl acetal anticipates the claims of the present application. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Applicant incorporates by reference herein the arguments set forth in the Amendment After Final filed February 26, 2010. The arguments will not be repeated in order to avoid repetition.

Accordingly, this rejection should be withdrawn.

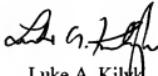
CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants respectfully request the reconsideration of

this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0925. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and should also be charged to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,



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